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TOBACCO BOARD
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tobacco Board was reconstituted in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details of the member of the Board alongwith the criteria adopted for the selection of these members;

(c) whether any enquiry was made by the Board before its reconstitution;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the respective sponsorship of each public member recently nominated to the Tobacco Board?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) to (b) : The Tobacco Board was reconstituted last time in the year 2005. Selection of the members of the Board is made as per the provisions made in Section 4(4) of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975 and keeping in view the field of their activities and the expertise they possess. The details of the present members of the Board are given in the Annexure.

(c) to (e): No specific enquiry was made by the Board before its reconstitution.

ANNEXURE

Details of present Members of Tobacco Board, Guntur

1. Dr. J. Suresh Babu, IAS, Chairman, Tobacco Board
2. Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, MP (Rajya Sabha).
3. Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao, MP (Lok Sabha).
4. Shri D.K. Adikesavulu Naidu, MP (Lok Sabha).
5. Shri Prashant Goyal, IAS, Deputy Secretary, Department of Commerce, Govt. of India
6. Shri V.D. Alam, Director (Finance), Department of Commerce, Govt. of India
7. Shri Sanjay K. Thade, IAS, Director, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion, Govt. of India
8. Dr. V. Krishna Murthy, Director, Central Tobacco Research Institute, Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India
9. Dr. CVSK Sarma, IAS, Principal Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh.
10. Dr. R.A. Sherasia, Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Gujarat.
11. Dr. Mallappa, Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Karnataka.
12. Shri Chinta Venkateswara Rao, Kanchikacherla, Krishna Distt.
13. Shri B.V. Javaregowda, Periyapatna, Mysore Distt.,
14. Shri D.M. Abu Mohammed, Mysore.
15. Shri P.K. Agarwal, Agriculture Marketing Adviser to Govt. of India, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, - MEMBER (EX-OFFICIO)
16. Executive Director, Tobacco Board, - MEMBER (EX-OFFICIO).